ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORIZATION APPLICATION FOR COAL MINING RIGHT APPLICATION ON PORTION



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Interim Comment

Date: Wednesday, 16 July, 2025

In terms of Section 38(3) of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999)

Lehakwe Mining Pty Ltd Lehakwe Mining Pty Ltd 1099 Crescent Wood Estates Sage Wood, Midrand Midrand, Johannesburg 1687

Mielelani Consultancy (Pty) Ltd was appointed by Lehakwe Mining (Pty) Ltd to undertake an Environmental Authorisation (EA) application for the Coal Mining Rights on Portions 3,5,7,9,10,11 and 12 of Fam Fairview 62 IT, Portion 10 of Farm Goedeverwachting 57 IT, Portion 4 and 6 of Farm Tevreden 56 IT, Portion 2 of Farm Uitkyk 37 IT within the Carolina Magesterial District, Mpumalanga. Ref: MP 30/5/1/2/2/10466 MR

A Scoping Report was submitted in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, Act No. 107 of 1998 (NEMA) and the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations, 2014 as amended, for activities that trigger the Minerals and Petroleum Resources Development Act, Act No. 28 of 2002 (MPRDA).

The proposed Mining Rights application will include topsoil and subsoil stripping and stockpiling, box-cut excavation, electricity infrastructure, dams and reservoirs, access road, ablution facilities and change house with a sewage treatment plant, pipelines and tanks, communication towers/masts, storage facilities and stormwater trances and clearance of vegetation.

The SAHRA Development Applications Unit (DAU) is making the following comments in terms of section 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act as contemplated by the EIA process in terms of section 24(4)b(ii) of NEMA:

- The SAHRA DAU is requesting field-based Heritage Impact Assessment and Palaeontological Impact Assessment reports for the proposed developments in terms of section 38(8) of the NHRA.
- The field-based archaeological component of the HIA must be conducted by a qualified archaeologist and must comply with the SAHRA 2007 Minimum Standards: Archaeological and Palaeontological Components of Impact Assessment Reports (see www.asapa.co.za or www.aphp.org.za for a list of qualified archaeologists).
- The field-based Palaeontological Impact Assessment (PIA) must be undertaken by a qualified

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palaeontologist. (See https://www.palaeosa.org/heritage-practitioners.html for a list of qualified palaeontologists). The report must comply with the 2012 Minimum Standards: Palaeontological Components of Heritage Impact Assessments.

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- A BAR/EIAr is required for further consideration of the proposed development.
- Further comments will be issued upon submission of these further requirements.

Should you have any further queries, please contact the designated official using the case number quoted above in the case header.

Yours faithfully

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